

Patent  
Docket No. 3210/29TO THE DIRECTOR OF PATENT AND TRADEMARK SERVICES  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of under 37 CFR 1.53(b):  
INVENTOR(S): Ming-Er HSIEH and Jin LINTITLE: IMPROVED LOCK

☐ This application is being filed without the declaration of the  
inventor(s). Inventor information is as follows:

☐ This is a continuing application of prior Application No.    /     
☐ Continuation  
☐ Divisional  
☐ Continuation-in-part

Enclosed are:

☒ Specification  
☒ 6 Sheets of drawings  
☒ Oath or Declaration signed by the inventor(s)  
☒ Newly Executed  
☐ Copy of Oath or Declaration from a Prior Application  
☐ PLEASE DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior  
nonprovisional application:

☐ Certified copy of

☐ Convention priority is claimed  
☐ English Translation Document  
☐ An executed Assignment in favor of                       
☒ Small entity status is claimed  
☐ Preliminary Amendment  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement

17497 U.S. PTO  
10/748130  
123103

13281 U.S. PTO

123103

The Filing Fee has been calculated as shown:

\_\_\_\_ PLEASE ENTER PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT PRIOR TO CALCULATING FILING FEE

| BASIC FEE                           | (Small Entity) |         | (Large Entity) |           |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|---------|----------------|-----------|
|                                     | \$385          |         | \$770          |           |
| Total Claims                        | 7              | - 20 =0 | x \$ 9 =       | x \$ 18 = |
| Indep. Claims                       | 2              | - 3 =0  | x \$ 43 =      | x \$ 86 = |
| Multiple Dependent Claims Presented | + \$145 =      |         | + \$290 =      |           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                        | <b>\$385</b>   |         |                |           |

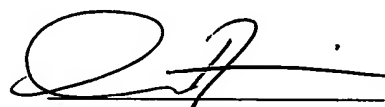
\_\_ Assignment Recordation Fee of \$0.00

\_\_ Please charge Deposit Account \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed)

X A payment of \$385.00 is made by credit card for the filing fee. A Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) is attached hereto. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 or any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17, or credit any over payment to the credit card account shown on the attached Credit Card Payment Form. Refund of all amounts overpaid, including those of twenty-five dollars or less, is specifically requested. Any fees not accepted by the credit card shown on the Form PTO-2038 may be charged to Deposit Account 04-0753.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional claims fees required under 37 CFR \$1.16 or processing fees under 37 CFR \$1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 04-0753. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date: December 31, 2003



Amir H. Behnia  
Reg. No. 50,215

DENNISON, SCHULTZ, DOUGHERTY & MACDONALD  
1727 King Street  
Suite 105  
Alexandria, Virginia 22314  
703-837-9600 Ext: 17  
703-837-0980 Fax

13281 U.S. PTO  
123103